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Mr. Haight;

The North Pacific Fisheries Association board would like to express our strong support for acting commissioner Sam Cotten as candidate for Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

The North Pacific Fisheries Association is a commercial fishing industry group based in Homer, Alaska. NPFA represents vessels that fish multiple species with a wide variety of gear types throughout Alaska. As small business owners and major contributors to our local and statewide economies, the board members of NPFA feel a strong Alaskan hand on the tiller of ADF&G is critical. Mr. Cotten has the necessary breadth of experience, combined with local knowledge of the coastal communities and the fishing fleets of Alaska, to help ensure both the sustainability of our resources and our access to them.

Thank you,

Malcolm Milne, President North Pacific Fisheries Association